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1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 3-16127, published April 8, 1991.
2. Japanese Patent No. 3093738, issued July 28, 2000 with English Abstract attached.

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